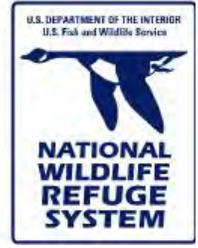


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Calendar of Events – Spring 2026

The Wildlife Drive is open daily from ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.

The Visitor Center is open during the week from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Programs are free and no registration is necessary unless otherwise specified.

To request a reasonable accommodation please call the Refuge office at (302) 653-9345 2 weeks before the event.

Sunday 03/29/2026 11:00am American Kestrel/ Bald Eagle Program

DE state biologist, Jordan Brown, will review the status of these two birds of prey in Delaware. She will also discuss some of the latest research efforts to learn more about these species.

Saturday 04/18/2026 11:00am Getting Ready for Monarchs

Terry Willis will review how we can prepare for the arrival of Monarchs that have started their journey north.

Saturday 04/25/2026 10:00am Tick Talk

DE state biologist, Ashley Kennedy, will present a discussion of ticks and tick ecology in Delaware.

Sunday 04/26/2026 12:00pm Delaware Bats: Wildlife and Human Interactions

Kesha Brauskill, Delaware's bat rehabber, will explore making bats and other wildlife safer in our shared communities.

Saturday 05/02/2026 11:00am Importance of Mason Bees and other Pollinators (Breast Cancer Survivors).

This is a reservation only program. Contact Lois Wilkinson at lwilkinson@debreast-cancer.org for all the reservation details.

Sunday 05/03/2026 11:00am People of the Refuge Past.

Join Master Naturalist and History Enthusiast Joseph Blake for a journey through the past to learn about the people who lived and worked on Bombay Hook before it was a wildlife refuge.

Saturday 05/09/2026 11:00am Carolina Wren: Forest Watchdog

DE state biologist, Kara Taylor will share some of her research on our nesting Carolina Wrens.

Saturday 05/16/2026 10:00am Spring Shorebirds

Eileen McLellan will review the shorebirds passing through Delaware. Then the class will go out along the refuge Auto Tour and ID birds.

Saturday 05/23/2026 11:00am Bring Back the Pollinators

Melissa Melum will present a program on the important role pollinators play in the Bombay Hook NWR ecosystem. She will also cover how to garden for pollinators.

Saturday 06/06/2026 11am Choosing Optics for Viewing Wildlife

Terry Willis will give a review of binoculars and spotting scopes

New programs are added each week so please check back for new updates.